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Dear Leandros,

The Institute of Professional Representatives before the EPO can provide you with the required list at www.ipr-helpdesk.org. There are lots of differences between EU Member States national legislation, and some national patent offices are more reluctant than others to grant patents for computer programs. Therefore we recommend that you contact the European Patent Office, which position about software patents is clear. There is no such thing as "European Patent", the European Patent Office provides the applicant with a bunch of national patents (depending on the designated States in the application). Therefore, protection in Greece can be obtained.

We remain at your disposal for any further information.

Best regards,

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